

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Harmer's Town Art Center		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
James	S. Johnson	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Harford County	\$500,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Harmer's Town Art Center property		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Pam Spelker		917-885-8914
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Harmers Town Art Center (HTAC), Inc. is a nonprofit organization which exists to create, build, and manage a first-of-its-kind regional art facility, creativity incubator, and economic driver in Havre de Grace, Maryland rehabilitating and revitalizing a vacant commercial 39,800-square-foot building in which artists can work, create, perform, teach and market their art, and to help improve the quality of life for all, including the youth, the elderly, the underserved and those with disabilities - educationally, intellectually and/or emotionally through art.</p>		

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

HTAC will be a 39,800-sq-ft indoor facility that will be a creativity incubator, art center and economic driver drawing more than 100,000 visitors per year into the HdG Arts & Entertainment District creating a missing keystone connection between the city's downtown business corridor and its waterfront amenities. (Also in an Enterprise and Opportunity Zone, HubZone and Sustainability Community.) Artists will work in studios accessible to the public, engage with guests, hold lessons, and sell their work directly to visitors. Other areas will be used for teaching classes and holding events/programs. Makerspaces will offer access to equipment for woodworking, ceramics, and other crafts. HTAC will also house galleries for art exhibits, a museum of historic HdG artifacts, and a gift shop. Partnerships with schools/universities will allow students to advance their studies by learning from on-site artists to assist their development in other fields, such as manufacturing.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	\$0
Design	\$500,000
Construction	\$12,500,000
Equipment	\$0
Total	\$13,000,000

13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Legislative Bond Bill (FY26)	\$500,000
Leg. Bond Bills (FY22&23) & Governor (FY24)- Cpttal	\$1,200,000
Harford County Govt (FY22-FY25)-Capital	\$1,100,000
Fed. Congressional Directed Spending (FY25)-Cptl	\$3,351,000
The Drescher Foundation (FY26)- Capital	\$500,000
MHAA (FY25) & LSHG (FY22)-Capital	\$105,000
Attained Private Donation (Capital)	\$500,000
Proposed Private Donation (Capital)	\$500,000
Proposed Corporate Donations & Foundations	\$1,644,000
Proposed Federal Grant	\$2,000,000
Proposed State Bond Bills & other State support	\$1,600,000
Total	\$13,000,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
April 2023	September 2025	TBD	TBD
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised	16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete	
500000.00	0	100,000	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
FY22 Bond	\$200,000	Construction Art Building	
FY22 Supplemental	\$700,000	Construction Art Building	
FY23 Bond	\$300,000	Construction Art Building	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Harmer's Town Art Center, Inc.		119 Market Street Havre de Grace, Maryland 21078	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	34A - Harford County		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Gregory Szoka	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	(410) 879-2222		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
30 Office Street Bel Air, Maryland 21014			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
0	10	203000.00	978000.00
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?			Lease
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			No
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			No
D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:			
Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
Allen J. Fair	20 years	Plans to deed over in 2025	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	38,900		
Space to be Renovated GSF	34,000		
New GSF			

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion

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28. Comments